

MAKE EASTLAND YOUR SHOPPING CENTER

Eastland Telegram

MAKE EASTLAND YOUR SHOPPING CENTER

UNITED PRESS BRINGS LATE NEWS OF THE WORLD TO TELEGRAM READERS

EASTLAND, TEXAS, MONDAY EVENING, JANUARY 29, 1940

PRICE 3c DAILY (5c ON SUNDAY)

NO. 61

NEW TYPE OF BATTLESHIPS ARE FAILURES

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The sea at Montevideo between the German pocket battleship Graf and British cruisers, proved decisively that the pocket battleships are a failure, high sources said today, and Berlin has dropped plans for building three ships of this type. In their place it is learned here, Germany concentrate on building bats of around 30,000 tons submarines.

The pocket battleship was effective only as a raider against merchant shipping, naval authorities here, and were too expensive to build for that purpose. In a sea war it is believed that they would be decidedly inefficient.

Instead of building more pocket ships it is expected that a new type of submarine warfare vessel lighter shipping vessels will be Germany's immediate retaliation.

The Allies have sunk about one third of the submarines Germany built at the beginning of the war, and now they are building new ones to replace them as rapidly as possible.

Ranger Girl Named On College Group

WACO, Jan. 29.—Baylor law school faculty has passed a resolution to revive and reorganize "The Ranger's Temple," an honor society to be composed of members chosen from the upper 20 per cent of the senior and mid-law classes. Mrs. A. Carlson announced.

Members elected to membership for the remainder of the year are the following law students: seniors, Roy Bass, Waco; Harold Blalock, Dallas; Homer G. Kaufman; Clarence Guitierrez, Waco; Charles Hill, Waco; Gene Kuntz, Houston, and Mattie Montgomery, Ranger; and law students, John Milton Harlange, Arkana; Joe David Jamison, Waco; and Coit Mock, Weatherford.

At the close of a year's satisfactory membership each member of the organization will be presented a certificate by the law school faculty.

Week End Calm Of War Ends On Monday Morning

A week-end of calm in the war between Germany and the Allies was broken today with an attempted air raid upon the Eastern Coast of England.

Four German planes appeared off the English coast and loud explosions were reported in some districts, but it was believed to be anti-aircraft fire, as no planes were reported dropped.

Royal Air Force planes drove off the invaders.

On the Western front all was quiet except for trench mortar fire. Loud speakers were used to broadcast propaganda across the German's-land sectors.

From Switzerland it was reported that a German train had been derailed near the Swiss border and a number of cars had been overturned and partly destroyed. It was not determined whether or not there was any loss of life.

Unemployment Shows A Decided Decrease

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Officials of the American Federation of Labor today reported that employment for December, 1939, showed an increase of 1,357,000, with that many more reported employed in principal occupations than were employed at the same time in 1938.

The labor union spokesman stated that indications were that employment would continue to improve during 1940.

Over 160 Killed In Japanese Wreck

TOKYO, Jan. 29.—The Domei official Japanese news agency, announced today that more than 160 people had been burned to death and about the same number injured in the worst train wreck in the history of Japan.

The gasoline-propelled train jumped the tracks and 28 cars overturned.

Anti-Vaccination School in Session



School work was home work for these youngsters of Pennsauken, N. J., after their parents refused to allow them to be vaccinated. Children were refused admittance to public schools, so "classroom" was set up in home of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Greening.

Witnesses For The Defense On Stand In Hospital Case

AUSTIN, Jan. 29.—Attorneys for Dr. W. J. Johnson, superintendent of the San Antonio State hospital, presented witnesses today in an attempt to discredit testimony of women who had asserted on the witness stand that Dr. Johnson had made improper advances toward them.

Mrs. Anna Price Hewitt, manager of an apartment house, said one woman, who testified against Dr. Johnson last week, had lived in her apartment house, and had frequently entertained men there.

Miss Lera Greer, blond cook at the hospital, said that she had been offered a state job paying \$112 a month if she would testify against Dr. Johnson in his ouster hearing.

Coyal Compton of Abilene is Found Dead in His Car

ABILENE, Jan. 29.—Coyal Compton, 25, a witness in the trial of Tilman Stubblefield of Eastland, on charges of murder without malice, today was found dead in his automobile near here today.

No inquest verdict had been returned, but officers reported that they were investigating a theory of suicide.

Compton, who was to be the state's star witness in the Stubblefield trial at Eastland, reported here after the trial that he had been kidnaped from his Eastland courthouse, and later released on a lonely road between Gorman and Desdemona, in Eastland county.

In the trial at Eastland Stubblefield was given a five-year suspended sentence.

It was understood here that the Eastland County grand jury was to have taken up an investigation of Compton's claims of kidnaping today.

Jury Selected Is Underway In Court

Jurors were being chosen Monday morning at 88th district court in Eastland for the trial of the case of Mrs. Ethel Bachus and others against Virge Foster, ex-sheriff, and others. The suit is an action for damages as an outgrowth of the accidental shooting of Stephen Bachus during a still raid in 1934.

New Bedford Quake Does Not Do Damage

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Jan. 29.—A slight earthquake, which was felt in this area early today, did no damage it was reported today after a survey.

Houses in New Bedford were rocked and the quake was felt over this entire part of the state.

DeLeon Man Makes Bond Upon Charge

Bond of \$750 has been posted by Luther Bullard of DeLeon, charged with driving while intoxicated, it was announced Monday by Sheriff Loss Woods.

Association To Aid In Improvement For Highway Formed

Formation of the U. S. Highway 80 Association of West Texas was accomplished at a meeting of 60 delegates from 24 cities on the Bankhead route from Eastland to Pecos in Sweetwater recently.

C. C. Johnson, Sweetwater mayor, was named president of the new unit and R. E. Gracey, Roscoe was elected vice-president. A board of directors composed of one representative named by each town will select other officers, including an executive board of five directors, the president and the secretary.

Hope was expressed that enough minimum \$10 memberships in the association could be placed to permit the employment for a full-time executive secretary. Purpose of the association, as set out in by-laws, is to promote the modernization of U. S. 80 from Weatherford to El Paso.

J. H. Greene, Big Spring, served as a member of the constitution and by-laws committee.

Ranger Students In Cross Plains Meet

CROSS PLAINS, Jan. 29.—Cross Plains Truck Growers Association entertained the Ranger speech students and coach Saturday in the First Annual Truck Growers Sector Speech Tournament.

First place loving cups went to Corner Clay's Abilene High School debate team, composed of Kathryn Barnes, Mina Margaret Wheeler, Kelley Lewis, William Snow.

Extensive speaking awards went to Joyce Ponder, coached by Miss Pansy Gartner, Abilene, and Aubrey Oliver, coached by J. Fred McGaughey, Central Texas School of Oratory, Brownwood.

Second place awards in four divisions went to Cross Plains, Abilene, Ranger, Abilene. The tournament brought 80 people to Cross Plains. High for the day, Principal tons represented were Abilene, Brownwood, Baird, Putnam, Winters, Ranger, Santa Anna and Cross Plains.

Miss Sara Collins, speech teacher at Cross Plains, announced directors of four divisions as being Superintendent Lewis C. Norman, Principal J. E. Barrington, Music Director Dale McCook, Seventh-Grade Sponsor Mrs. Orba Booth.

Projects Group Of Chamber Convenes

W. B. Starr, of Dan Horn was scheduled to speak on "Sweet Potatoes" at a meeting of the projects committee of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce.

The meeting was scheduled to begin at 1:30 in the Chamber of Commerce office.

Members of the projects committee are T. P. Johnson, Jim Horton, Dr. C. C. Cogburn, Henry Paulman, Victor Cornelius and Sam Butler.

Starr is one of the largest sweet potato growers in this section and is widely-known as an agriculturist.

Men Are Taken To Face Pampa Charge

Arrested by the sheriff's department at Eastland, Pink Bain and Frank Hensley have been taken by Pampa officials to Pampa to face a charge of burglary, it was reported Monday.

Sheriff Woods said the complaint each man faces is in connection with the alleged illegal entry into a liquor store in Pampa.

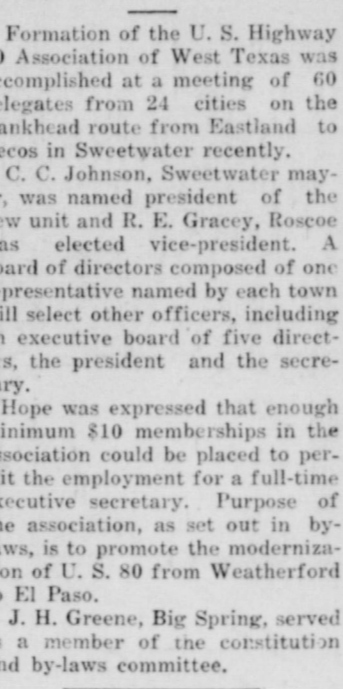
Head Of Cleburne C. Of C. Dies Today

CLEBURNE, Jan. 29.—John T. Webster, manager of the Cleburne Chamber of Commerce, and head of a wholesale grocery concern here, died today after a throat operation which he underwent a week ago.

Rhodes To Return About February 15

Friends at Eastland have been advised that C. J. Rhodes, who underwent an operation recently at Excelsior Springs, Mo., is in excellent condition. He and Mrs. Rhodes will return to Eastland about Feb. 15.

Theater of War in Finland



Posters of Hollywood stars Errol Flynn, Bette Davis and Edward G. Robinson look down on horses and Finnish soldiers sharing this "stable" in Kemjarvi, Finland. It is the local motion picture theater converted to war use. Photo by Eric Calcraft, NEA Service staff photographer on the Salla front.

Stamp Plan For Eastland County Sought by C. of C.

The Eastland Chamber of Commerce has filed application with the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation for the adoption of the federal food stamp plan in Eastland county.

H. J. Tanner, secretary-manager of the Chamber of Commerce, began working on the project last December. Recently a questionnaire was completed for the FSSC which tells of the need of the food stamp plan in the county.

The questions were answered by the Chamber of Commerce with welfare agencies cooperating.

Under the plan, WPA workers and others in needy circumstances receive stamps which enable them to buy 50 per cent more food at the same cost. The foods the workers are able to buy with the stamps are surplus commodities.

The government redeems the stamps received by the merchants at full value. Because of the plan, it is expected the WPA workers and others will receive more healthy food, the government disposes of its surplus commodities and merchants sell more groceries.

Man's Citizenship Has Been Restored

Filed Monday in the office of District Clerk John White was a copy of a proclamation by Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel granting a full pardon and restoration of the citizenship of Brownie King.

The governor's proclamation said that the action was being taken because of the recommendation of the board of pardons and paroles which made a report January 4 this year.

The proclamation recited that King had been convicted in the district courts of Eastland and Shelby counties April 18, 1930, receiving two years' sentence in the state penitentiary for burglary and theft over \$50 in five cases.

King had been granted several furloughs and extensions when on Nov. 10, 1931, he was granted a general parole by proclamation.

Sheriff Loss Woods and others had recommended the man be granted a full pardon with his citizenship restored.

Poll Tax Total Is Only 3,500

C. H. O'Brien, assessor-collector and his staff today faced the prospect of issuing several thousand poll tax receipts by Wednesday night.

Up to today only approximately 3,500 poll tax receipts had been issued at Eastland and substations in the county.

Approximately 7,000 or 8,000 poll tax receipts will be issued by Wednesday night, it is believed. In many cities of the county there are being conducted campaigns to encourage persons to pay their poll tax and take a more active interest in governmental affairs.

Eastland Woman Bruised In Mishap

Mrs. Earl T. Williams of Eastland was recovering Monday from bruise injuries received Sunday evening when her automobile crashed into a tree limb while she was attempting to stop the machine which had started rolling after being parked on College street in Eastland.

Reports were that Mrs. Williams was talking to Mrs. Glenn Graham near her automobile when the machine started rolling north on College street, which is on an incline.

The right front rear door was said to have hit the tree while Mrs. Williams was on the fender preparatory to stopping the rolling car.

Mrs. Williams was resting at her home Monday.

Zone Meeting For Lions Clubs Set Wednesday Night

The zone meeting of Lions Clubs, scheduled to be held in Cisco last Wednesday night, but postponed on account of the extremely cold weather, has been set for Wednesday night, Jan. 31, at the Laguna hotel in Cisco.

Announcement of the new date was received by the local Lions Club today in a letter from A. G. (Smokey) Tuttle, secretary of the Cisco Lions Club.

\$1,500,000 Taken In Yet Only Off Balance 42 Cents

Do you think you could receive \$1,500,000 in three years and not be off balance in your report?

That has nearly been done by C. H. O'Brien, assessor-collector, whose office in the past three years has received that much money on tax collections and receipts yet a report for that period shows the office is only off balance 42 cents.

A year ago a report by O'Brien showed that the office had received approximately \$1,000,000 in receipts during 1937 and 1938, yet was only off balance 42 cents.

The majority of businesses do not check up that accurately at the end of one day's business.

Fire Causes Paper To Miss First Time In 31-Year History

Word was received here today that the Review, weekly paper published at Cross Plains, would miss publication this week for the first time in 31 years.

Fire in the office of the Review did damage which will prevent printing the paper in the plant this week, it was stated, though it is expected that repairs will be completed in time for next week's edition to be published.

Highway 80 Will Get Surfacing On East From Ranger

County Judge W. S. Adamson reported Monday that he has received official notification that surfacing of U. S. 80 for a distance of 9.7 miles east of Ranger will be undertaken this year by the highway department.

Judge Adamson was advised that surfacing of the road had been approved as a project in the 1940 program of the state highway department.

The notification was sent by Julian Montgomery, state highway engineer. The notification did not advise when the project will start but did suggest that perhaps the WPA could assist in the work.

School Board Votes Not to Allow Dance In Recreation Bldg.

The Ranger school board met in called session this morning at 11 o'clock and voted that "under the circumstances" it would not be able to allow use of the Recreation building for the President's Ball, it was reported this afternoon by W. T. Walton, superintendent of schools.

At the meeting of the board elected Miss Avis McKelvin to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of H. G. Hester, public speaking and debate instructor in the Ranger High School.

Miss McKelvin is a graduate of Ranger Junior College and of Baylor University, where she won state and national acclaim as a public speaker.

Credit Meeting In 1941 To Be Sought By Eastland C. of C.

H. J. Tanner, secretary-manager of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce, announced Monday that Eastland is to seek the 1941 convention of district 2 of the Texas Retail Credit Bureaus, Inc., and the associated retail credit men in this area.

Tanner will invite members of the organization and its officials at the 1940 convention scheduled Feb. 18 in Midland.

Several years ago Eastland was host for the annual meeting.

Britain Has Coldest Wave In 125 Years

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The oldest weather since 1815 stopped air travel, disrupted rail service and has slowed down highway traffic to a minimum over the week-end.

At Kent snow was banked higher than the houses, it was reported and in London the cold has caused intense suffering.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Fair tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature.

RED ATTACKS CONTINUE BUT ARE WEAKENING

By United Press
WITH FINNISH ARMY, Karelian Isthmus, Jan. 29.—Soviet bombs struck a Red Cross military hospital today killing 23 persons, including four women and several wounded soldiers.

Reports from Helsinki today indicated that the Russian attacks were continuing, but each attack was less intense and apparently the Russian attack had again been halted, for the time being.

North of Lake Ladoga, where fighting has been particularly intense, more than 800 additional Russians were reported killed over the week-end and 160 prisoners taken.

Still further to the north reports were than 450 had been found dead on the battlefield after stiff skirmishes. It is estimated that Russian casualties in the last nine days have reached 15,000 wounded and 5,000 killed in disastrous attempts to break through the Finnish defenses. The most severe fighting has occurred around Lake Ladoga where, while the Russians were unable to pierce the Finnish lines, the Finns, themselves, have been unable to advance.

In spite of reports of wholesale Finnish victories neutral observers were inclined to believe, in view of the fact the Finns were unable to gain, that the defenders might have serious trouble holding off the Russians in the spring.

Two air raids, around Helsinki, were reported broken up by Finnish airplanes and anti-aircraft fire this morning, with the loss of one Russian plane.

Moscow has admitted the loss of between 200 and 300 of her best bombers in the war, and of most of her experienced pilots. Finnish sources have reported that Russian planes now shot down have only one pilot and two machine gunners in the crew, indicating that Russia does not want to risk the lives of more experienced men by sending out full bombing crews on the raids against Finnish cities.

Meantime delivery of 200 American planes to Finland, has been delayed, apparently because the British blockade, as they should have arrived in Finland by Jan. 20. The 200 planes are about one fourth of the number Finland needs for an adequate air defense against the Russian attacks from the air, but would greatly bolster the air defense, it was reported from Helsinki.

Japan Will Demand German Seamen Be Released To Them

TOKYO, Jan. 29.—The Japanese foreign minister will demand the British Ambassador to Tokyo a new demand that Britain release the 21 German seamen, seized recently by Japanese officials, it was learned here today.

Tuesday, when the note is handed to the British ambassador, another protest over seizure of the men will also be made, the foreign office announced, as Japan feels that the British answer to the Japanese protest is inadequate.

Missing Man Is Charged In Court

Sheriff Loss Woods announced Monday that A. V. Henderson, Eastland trucker reported missing recently, has posted \$500 bond upon a swindling charge filed in Eastland justice court.

Sheriff Woods stated that Henderson surrendered voluntarily to the charge, filed by Claude Bowles of Eastland, and made bond promptly.

The official added that Bowles claims the alleged swindle was by check.

Recently reports were being investigated by police that Henderson was missing after a trip to San Antonio.

Court Approves A New York Sales Tax

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The Supreme Court handed down several important tax decisions today including one upholding New York City's two per cent sales levy on goods in interstate commerce.

Everyone Wants to Vote This Year; Pay Your Poll Taxes at Once

EASTLAND TELEGRAM

Published every afternoon (except Thursday, Saturday and Sunday) and every Sunday morning.

Member of United Press Association Member Advertising Bureau—Texas Daily Press League

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publisher.

Obituaries, cards of thanks, notices of lodge meetings, etc., are charged for at regular advertising rates which will be furnished upon application.

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice at Eastland, Texas under Act of March, 1879.

SUBSCRIPTION RATE

ONE YEAR BY MAIL (In Texas) \$3.00

They Found No Peace

After browsing around among plausible candidates, the Nobel Prize committee, in November, announced curtly that the 1939 peace award would be withheld.

The committee has now received a proposal from Sven Shedin, noted Swedish explorer, that both the 1939 and 1940 peace prizes, aggregating about \$90,000, be used to help the Finns in their war with Russia.

The mere suggestion of turning peace funds into war capital is a didactic commentary on the world of today. Of all contemporary leaders, not one can be found great enough to deserve the world's highest peace award. Only Pope Pius XII has consistently and unreservedly demanded peace. Other leaders have asked for it, but their efforts have been spasmodic.

In his letter to President Roosevelt, Pope Pius wrote: "Our own daily experience tells us of the deep-seated yearning for peace that fills the hearts of the common people."

Yes. The common people want peace. But they can find few real champions for their cause.

Ladies Don't Carry Guns

Uncle Sam had better do something soon. We've just let an honest woman slip through our fingers. We're sending her back to Canada because she wouldn't agree, under oath, to bear arms for the United States.

Mrs. Alice Signe Aune was allowed to enter the country under the agreement that she would file citizenship papers here. She said she would assist the government in any other way—even as a war nurse—but she wouldn't shoulder a gun.

Mrs. Aune isn't the only woman who feels that way. Most of the others we've admitted wouldn't touch a gun, even though they've casually said they would. And Uncle Sam would have to look a long time to find a corps of native-born American women who would shoulder muskets.

The fact is, he doesn't expect them to. That question applies to men applicants for citizenship. In cases such as that of Mrs. Aune, the United States looks a little absurd. It will be a lot better to modify the immigration laws before this sort of thing happens again.

Od King Cole called for his pipe and his bowl and for his fiddlers three. Governor Long of Louisiana calls for his legislature.

In days long past, they were pirates. Today, they are officers and gentlemen searching for contraband.

The movement to break off diplomatic relations with Russia gains momentum. Only Communists and vodka drinkers are against it.

After 25 years, a woman paid five cents for a valentine she pilfered when she was a small girl. Maybe the boy she sent it to finally got around to popping the question.

GOD OF JANUARY

- HORIZONTAL 1 Pictured is the god after whom January was named. 6 Period. 9 He was an ancient god. 13 Not to win. 14 Hurray! 15 Sound of sorrow. 16 One who totes. 17 Gnawed. 18 Surflets. 20 Weeding devices. 22 Form of melody. 24 Bone. 25 Minute particles. 27 Red Cross. 28 Throbbing. 34 On fire. 36 Mountain pass. 37 Weighing

Crossword puzzle grid with clues and answers. Includes a small illustration of a man.



"OUT OUR WAY" By Williams



INDIAN HEROINE

Word puzzle section with horizontal and vertical clues and a grid.

Orchestra Woak To Be Offered Feb. 1-3 At Mineral Wells



MINERAL WELLS, Tex.—Instruction in orchestra work for 500 Texas orchestra students and leaders will be given here from February 1 to 3 at the meeting of the Texas Music Educators' Association when Henry Sopkin, of Chicago, will be the clinic director. From 1,500 to 2,000 Texas music educators and students of hand, orchestra and choral work are expected here for the meeting. Ward Brandstetter of Palestine and Russell Shrader, president and secretary of the association, completed final arrangements here this week for the musical clinic.

Poultry Work Of Girl Is Described

The following is a report on a successful A-H club poultry demonstration conducted by Betty Walker of Rising Star, who wrote the story: The chickens for my demonstration were bought in April, 1939. They were six weeks old when purchased. I bought 25 pullets. I have raised all except two of these. The total cost for feeding these chickens was \$17.50. These chickens were fed chicken started until the last part of July, then I started feeding them laying mash. The chickens were exhibited in the Eastland County Fair at Eastland. I made \$4.50 in prize money, winning first prize on a pen which consisted of one cockerel and four pullets; first on my individual pullet, and second place on a hen in the pen. After the Eastland Fair my chickens were carried to the Abilene Free Fall Fair. Here they won \$10.00 in prize money. I won first on a pen which consisted of one cockerel and two pullets; first on one pullet, second on another

Ranger Teams Play Three Games

The Ranger Bulldogs (two basketball games) and one will be played Ranger Junior College. Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock they will play Gorn School and on Wednesday at 7 o'clock they will play Wells. Following the Mine game the Ranger Junior will play John Tarleton ca

Fort Worth Woman Slugged By Pre

FORT WORTH, Jan. 2. D. H. Snyder, 57, wife of known West Texas ranch oilman, was near death today after a fractured skull after a prowler attacked her at her last night. A brain operation was performed in an attempt to save her



IT'S ALWAYS FAIR WEATHER in a T&P Temperature Controlled TRAIN

AND IT'S ALSO THE SAFEST, MOST COMFORTABLE WAY TO TRAVEL Low Fares—Everywhere—Every Day So Much For So Little

Advertisement for Sunny California and Mardi Gras with small illustrations.

Condensed Schedules of Principal Trains table with columns for destination, departure, and arrival times.

Advertisement for J. A. Stover, Ticket Agent, featuring the Texas and Pacific Railway logo and slogan 'FAST * SAFE * COMFORTABLE'.

SERIAL STORY

THE CAPTAIN'S DAUGHTER

BY HELEN WORDEN

COPYRIGHT, 1940, N.E. SERVICE, INC.

YESTERDAY, Dan practically kidnapped Marie. Taken her to Louisiana for cocktails. She finds herself strangely attracted to this unpredictable young man. When she arrives home he insists upon accompanying her.

CHAPTER VI
BAT LA PORTE put down his hat and reached for his hat. "I hear strange noises on the dock," he told his wife.

"You're always hearing funny sounds," she protested. "First you suspect Tommy Ryan and now I don't know what you imagine."

He growled. "I still suspect Tommy Ryan. Jerry McGuire slipped me off."

Shuffling across the linoleum-covered floor, he lifted the hatchway. "What time is Marie coming?" His voice began fading as his head disappeared through the hatchway.

"About 7. It's half-past five," Mrs. La Porte stepped toward the kitchen. "What do you want for supper?"

Bat never heard the question. He was too occupied by another problem. A shadowy group of figures swarmed about three trucks parked close to a dark-bodied barge. As Bat peered through the growing twilight, the figures resolved themselves into the forms of men. The only two he recognized were Tommy and a fellow named Derry, who pinch-hit as pilot on motor barges. If there was one thing Bat hated worse than a truck, it was a motor barge.

Bat let out a yell and cleared the distance between the deck of the Molly and the dock with one leap. "What stuff is this that you are loading?" he screamed. "I say towards and I mean it. You wait till dark to do your dirty work."

He moved menacingly toward the trucks, fists clenched. Tommy dropped a box he had been lifting from a truck.

"It's no use, Bat," he said, unkindly. "You're outnumbered. If you'd gone a little earlier on me last night, I might not have done this."

He half-turned toward the sack he had put down, then stopped. "All of which gives me an idea. This cargo of phosphate means a lot to you, doesn't it?"

Bat shrugged his shoulders. "What do my private feelings count for?" His continued antagonism was apparent.

"Only this," Tommy spoke eagerly. "I'll call the fellows off this deal and let you pack the phosphate on the Molly if you'll bury the past and give Marie'n me your blessing."

"Are you out of your mind?" shrieked Bat. "The fellow doesn't live who's good enough for my Marie. I'd rather see her dead than married to you."

Lowering his head, bull-like, he grabbed Tommy round the middle and prepared to throw him bodily off the dock.

Tommy gave a yell. The other men dropped their loads and ran toward the two, shouting.

THE noise of the fight had aroused other barge people. Heads poked out of hatchways from boats on both sides of the dock.

BAT felt of his left eye. It was swollen shut. He lumbered toward the Molly. If it weren't for his black eye he might have recognized Marie turning into the pier from South Street. He might have wondered who the fellow was with her. He also might have wondered why she was arguing with him.

Tommy Ryan, feeling his bruises in the shadow of an empty truck, didn't wonder, he asked. "Who's your boy friend, Marie?" he inquired, strolling casually toward the pair as they paused under the arc-light.

Dan grabbed her by both arms. "Are you this fellow's girl?" Marie turned her back on Tommy. "Please go, I beg you," she pleaded with Dan. "I'm afraid you'll be hurt."

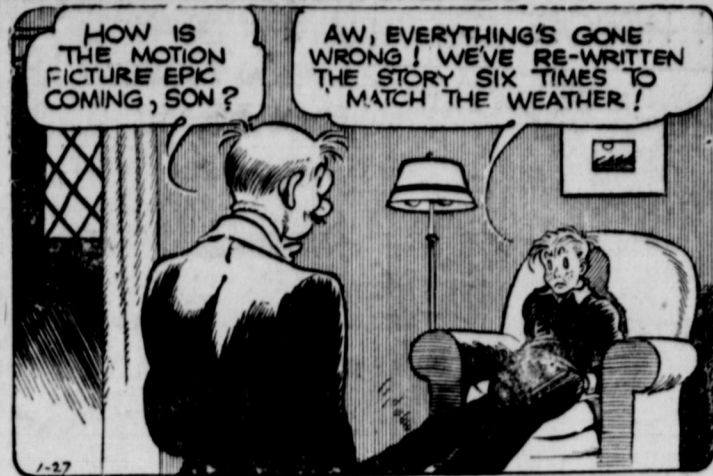
Tommy, hands in his pockets and cap pulled down over his eyes, stood silently by, a sinister figure in the half-light from above. Dan gripped Marie's arm till she winced. "Do you belong to this man?"

"No, but for God's sake go," she begged. "Leave this girl alone," Dan said, turning to Tommy, "and that goes for all time. I know you won't mind."

He spoke as one accustomed to giving orders. "But I do mind," Tommy's tones had an edge. "I take orders from no one, least of all from a guy like you."

He swung a fist upward. "Tommy," Marie screamed. "You're acting like a caveman." Dan dodged and laughed. "I don't fight before ladies. See you later."

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS



ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

BY BRUCE CATTON, NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON--The movement to build a through highway to Alaska is progressing in spite of the fact that stressing the hemisphere-defense angle...

HERE'S THE DEBT LIMIT HEADACHE

YOU could really scare yourself by figuring what might happen if this Congress should go over the budget...

BY BRUCE CATTON

WASHINGTON--That the Labor Board's 13 women review attorneys are pleased the Smith investigating committee, before which six of them testified...

CLAIM INEXPERIENCED GIRLS DO VITAL WORK

TOLAND wants to show that the board entrusted a vital part of its work to young and inexperienced lawyers. A review attorney passes on the record of a case as set in by a trial examiner and, roughly speaking, tells the board what it's all about.

Treasury lawyers say that couldn't be tapped without a special act of Congress. Rather more than two billion could be taken out of the lending agencies...

SHY AWAY FROM HITTING DIES

THE administration may dislike the Dies committee, but it doesn't seem to want to make the front pages by fighting the committee's request for another year's lease on life...

such fragmentary reading of the record as there might be, they depend upon this oral statement that you give them?

AND ONE OF THEM HAS CHANGED DIAPERS

TOLAND insists that this gives the review attorney an awful lot of power--too much for youthful lawyers. Charles Fahy, the board's general counsel, denies this hotly.

WHY WOULDN'T PRINCE ALBERT ROLL FASTER? IT'S CRIMP CUT! SMOKES COOL, MILD, AND RICH, TOO



FAST-ROLLED SMOKES!

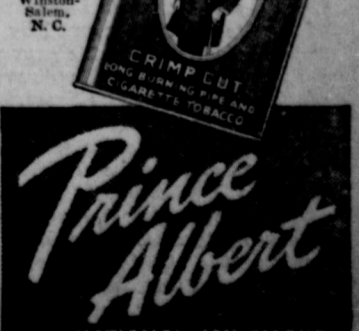
YOU'll cheer that Prince Albert "crimp cut" for easier handling, "makin's" fans. Rolls up so fast without bunching or spilling...

In recent laboratory "smoking bowl" tests, Prince Albert burned

86 DEGREES COOLER

than the average of the 30 other of the largest-selling brands tested... coolest of all!

70 fine roll-your-own cigarettes in every handy tin of Prince Albert



TRY A WANT AD--IT ALWAYS PAYS!

RED RYDER By Fred Harman



considerable amount of money is paid through the tellers' windows on pay day. For example, on Oct. 27, biggest payday ever, about \$130,000 was handed out at the rate of \$386 a minute.

Dr. Rainey To Visit Abilene Feb. 3rd

AUSTIN, Tex.--Dr. Homer P. Rainey will make his first trip into Central West Texas since his appointment as president of the University of Texas when he goes to Abilene Saturday, February 3, to attend a rally of the 15th district of the University Ex-Students Association.

Slot Machines Are Erected For Students

NEW BRITAIN, Conn.--Students at New Britain Teachers College can play slot machines as much as they want, and police won't interfere.

State Treasury Of Illinois Has A Fortress Front

By United Press
SPRINGFIELD, Ill.--A new "fortress front" surrounding the cashiers and tellers of the state treasury in the Capitol here, not only protects state funds from bandits, but will save the state \$4,000 yearly in insurance premiums, according to State Treasurer Louis E. Lewis.

Society Notes

Party Postponed
The party, which was scheduled for Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. L. D. Harris, complimenting the Young People's Department of the First Baptist Church school, has been postponed until a later date.

Eastland Personals

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Uffelman and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Barnes and daughter, Barbara, were visitors Sunday at Brownwood.
Aaron Bryant of Cisco transacted business Monday in Eastland.
C. R. West, Cisco, was a visitor Monday in Eastland.
D. K. Scott of Cisco was an Eastland visitor Monday.
R. L. Wilson of Cisco was here on business Monday.
Charles Cole Butler, student of Howard Payne, Brownwood, was an Eastland visitor over the weekend.
Buck Perrine, Travis Cook, students of East Texas State Teachers College in Commerce, were Eastland visitors over the weekend.

Bobbie Ferguson, who has been visiting in Eastland for the past few days, returned to N. T. A. C. in Arlington to resume his studies.

Political Announcements

This newspaper is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:
For Assessor-Collector:
CLYDE S. KARKALITS
For County Clerk:
B. V. (RIP) GALLOWAY
For Sheriff:
LOSS WOODS
For County Judge:
W. S. ADAMSON
R. L. RUST
For County Treasurer:
GARLAND BRANTON
For Commissioner Precinct No. 1:
HENRY V. DAVENPORT
For District Clerk:
JOHN WHITE

PRESIDENT GETS CAMPAIGN REPORT



WASHINGTON, January—Keith Morgan, National Chairman, and members of the Committee for the celebration of the President's Birthday tell President Roosevelt at White House conference the drive for "Fight Infantile Paralysis" funds is being speeded up in every state. "March of Dimes" contributions are rolling into the White House in a steady stream. Chairman Morgan's report declared that over 10,000 celebrations will be held in honor of the President's 58th birthday, Tuesday, January 30, when the drive will reach its climax. Last appeals are being made to every one to contribute something to the fund to fight the crippling disease. Those with the President are (left to right) District Commissioner George E. Allen; Col. D. Walker Wear, of New York, Assistant National Chairman; George V. Riley, and Keith Morgan, National Chairman of the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday.

Miss Doniece Parker, student of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, was an Eastland visitor over the weekend.
Miss Jessie Lou Trotter, student of Texas Tech in Lubbock, was an Eastland visitor this past weekend.
Dennis Trotter, Fort Sill, Okla., is visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Trotter.

Queer Situations Call For Rulings In Many Instances

AUSTIN, Tex.—Many queer situations continue to bob up in state affairs. Some of them,

though seemingly trivial, require a reference to the state legal department for a ruling.
One of these was eligibility of H. J. Crofoot of Bay City to serve as a director of Lower Colorado River Authority because the act creating the board said no director for it should have been employed by a utility within three years. He was director of an irrigation company.
Another ruling determined that one hotel may operate several cigarette counters by paying one cigarette dealer's permit.
A county attorney inquired if the state is entitled to discount for prompt payment of county ad valorem taxes assessed against land owned by the University of Texas. Atty. Gen. Mann answered that since the appropriation for that purpose was inadequate to pay all the tax the question of discount was immaterial.
Independent school districts, it was held, have no power to spend local tax money for classes for persons over 21 years of age.
A county commissioners' court has authority to rent road machinery without advertising for bids.
A county judge has equal voting rights with other members of a county commissioners' court, regardless of whether there is a tie vote. He may also make or second motions.
We're worried about that British skipper who mistook the port of Philadelphia for New York harbor. If we let him go back to England alone, he's likely to wind up in Hamburg.

Stock Shipments For 1939 One Per Cent Below 1938

AUSTIN, Tex.—With a total

Announce Cast Of Presto Player Play Due Feb. 6th And 7

The Presto Players of Eastland, under the direction of Virginia B. Weaver announced Monday two performances of the Pulitzer Prize play, "Icebound," February 6 and 7 at the Connellee theatre.
"As the Players move into the final week before production, there is every evidence that the outcome will be really first rate entertainment; the scenery is built and is being painted; the costumes and props are being hauled in, and the actors have their fine play well in hand," said an official.
The cast, which thus far has remained secret, is as follows: Mrs. Bryce Taylor, Mrs. Richard Boyle, Gerry Russell, Mrs. L. H. McEwen, Virgil Seaberry, Jr., Milton Rhea, Pat Everett, Dean Turner, Louisiana B. Weaver, W. C. Campbell, Mrs. H. O. Satterwhite and Loss Woods.
The adult tickets are priced at 35 cents each, and may be secured from any member of the cast, or from students in the high school. There will be no reserved seats. The curtain will rise at 8 o'clock each evening.

livestock shipments from Texas ranches to interstate points and to the Fort Worth stockyards stood only 1 per cent under those of 1938, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported today.

Due to earlier loadings this year than last, December shipments fell off 34.4 per cent from those of a year ago, to total 4,462 cars. Hog shipments alone showed a gain during December, totaling 532 cars as compared with 422 cars in December a year ago. Cattle shipments dropped 43.3 per cent, calves 8.1 per cent and sheep 49.5 per cent.

Annual movement of cattle dropped 4.6 per cent to 54,961 cars in 1939, and sheep declined 14.9 per cent, totaling 10,227 cars. Calves and hogs, on the other hand, gained 12.2 per cent and 28.8 per cent respectively. There were 15,190 cars of calves moved and 8,422 cars of hogs.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



MT. MCKINLEY
WHICH IS 29,300 FEET HIGH, LOOKS HIGHER THAN MT. EVEREST (29,141 FT.) BECAUSE IT RISES 18,000 FEET ABOVE ITS BASE, WHILE EVEREST RISES 14,000 FEET ABOVE ITS LOFTY PLATEAU FOUNDATION.



HOUSE WREN
SINGS A SONG OF ONE SECOND DURATION, AND REPEATS IT AT INTERVALS OF TWO SECONDS ... OFTEN FROM DAWN UNTIL DUSK

IN WEAVING, WHICH THREADS ARE THE WARP AND WHICH THE WOOL?
ANSWER: The warp runs lengthwise of the loom and is crossed by the wool.



Texas Farm Income Is Above Past Year

AUSTIN, Tex.—When supplemented by approximately \$100,000,000 in federal subsidies, cash income of Texas farmers for 1939 reached some \$502,157,000, or nearly \$30,000,000 above 1938, Dr. F. A. Buechel, University of Texas agricultural economist, said today.
Actual revenue from production of crops and livestock, however, was a million and a half dollars less than during 1938. The 1938 federal subsidy totaled only \$69,000,000.
Income during December dropped a million dollars below December, 1938, and more than five million dollars below the December average for the five year period from 1928 to 1932, Dr. Buechel said.

Dr. W. L. Simmons

Glasses of Style and Quality!
\$8 - \$10 and \$12.50
312 S. Seaman St. Eastland

ATTENTION!

TO THOSE WHO HAVE Refrigerators WHEN IN NEED OF SERVICE ON YOUR MACHINE CALL 33 SEELYE ELECTRIC CO.

LYRIC LAST DAY

SONJA HENIE
"Everything Happens at Night"
Robt. Cummings
Ray Milland

A Three Days' Cough is Your Danger Signal

Cremulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of trouble to loosen germ laden phlegm, increase secretion and aid nature soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membrane. No matter how many medicines you have tried, tell your druggist to send you a bottle of Cremulsion with the understanding that you are to use the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

CLASSIFIED

QUALITY CHICKS. Guaranteed to live, grow and lay. Texas U. M. STOKES, 305 North Dainger.

APARTMENT for rent, southeast front, all bills paid. 310 E. Main.

WHY NOT try my meals. During week 30c; Sundays 35c.—MRS. M. STOKES, 305 North Dainger.

"BARGAIN SMALL PIANOS" We have a small student upright and a lovely spinet piano, slightly used, but like new. Wonderful opportunity for someone in this locality to secure a bargain. Your old piano could be taken in trade. Terms if desired. Write: BROOK MAYS & COMPANY, DALLAS, TEXAS.

Genuine Beckwith upright Piano, tone, \$150.00 value; sacrifice for only \$40.00.—MR. DISHEROON, Breckenridge highway, Ranger.

A retired military man California was fined for driving motor scooter while intoxicated. What won't a man do to uphold the fine, old tradition of the army.

STORY BEHIND THE CHRISTIAN FRONT

Father Coughlin Disavows Group Caught in G-net

Intangible Organization Launched to Co-ordinate Pro-Franco, Bund, Similar Groups

By WILLIS THORNTON
NEA Service Staff Writer
The Christian Front, when the G-men start to run it down, will probably prove to be the man who wasn't there.
It's real enough, but it is so loosely-organized, so slippery and intangible, that it slips out from beneath any finger you try to place upon it.
Its origins go back to 1938, when in midsummer it was launched in New York as a direct-membership body, and also as a coordinator of various pro-Franco groups, the German-American Bund, the Christian Mobilizers, and a whole parade of organizations playing the gamut of anti-nationalism, and a leaning toward Fascism.



John F. Cassidy

FATHER COUGHLIN DENOUNCES
Though Rev. Charles Coughlin, the Detroit radio priest, has fervently denounced the little New York group recently suppressed by the G-men in the midst of their explosive playthings, most of the members of the Christian front following his writings and speeches.
"One of the first reports on Christian Front organization was carried July 31, 1939, in Social Justice, the publication in which Father Coughlin's personal messages are printed. It was referred to as a "highly-organized and rapidly-growing militant Christian Front," and 5,000,000 members were predicted for 1940. "Mr. John Cassidy of Brooklyn was listed as a principal organizer. John F. Cassidy, caught in the G-net by the recent Department of Justice raid, was named by officials as a leader of the group.
Soon Father Coughlin disavowed the Christian Mobilizers, an "action" group presumed to be part of the front. On Aug. 14, over his signature, he clarified his position:
"First and foremost, let all those who are interested in either organizing the Christian Front or joining it, understand that I am neither the organizer nor the sponsor of the Christian Front; and moreover, that it is not becoming to me to identify myself with this organization or any



"encouraging the growth of the Christian Front." He suggested that Christians might have to use "the Franco way." The Aug. 7 issue of Social Justice had pleaded, "The place for you, as a Christian, is on the Christian Front. . . Help Father Coughlin to combat the serpent of Communism in America."
The Coughlin paper was from the start the Bible of many local Christian Front groups which began to spring up at that time. It was apparently the only tie which they had in common—they read, and most of them aggressively sold, Social Justice. But there was variation in the meetings and activities of different local groups. Especially in New York, meetings wallowed in anti-Semitism, and hatred of racial groups was actively incited.
CHRISTIAN FRONTERS FOUGHT ON STREETS
Street fighting followed. Groups of Christian Front devotees would heckle salesmen for Communist papers, or Jews, then join in the fight that followed. Communist salesmen used the same provocative tactics on Christian Fronters and Social Justice salesmen. A series of street fights in New York first brought the Christian Front to prominent attention.
Several Jews were set upon and beaten in New York streets, apparently by organized Christians

Who Invented the MOUSETRAP?

You've often heard the old adage: "Let a man make a better mousetrap, and the world will make a beaten path to his door."

But have you ever happened upon that path, or even looked for it?

Why should you, when the people who today have things to sell beat a path to your door to tell you about them?

Every newspaper that comes into your home brings you a new list of what you can get, and where. You can do your shopping in the advertising pages—instead of beating a path from store to store to find what you want.

Make it a habit to look over the advertisements, and you'll find many fine values you might have missed . . . many exciting and useful things you otherwise might never have known about!